
MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2004
7:00 p.m.

Medina City Hall
501 Evergreen Point Road

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Odermat called the December 13, 2004 meeting of the Medina City Council to order at 7:13 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Mary Odermat, Deputy Mayor Todd Nunn
Council members Miles Adam, Drew Blazey, Katie Phelps, Bob Rudolph,
Pete Vall-Spinosa

City Staff Present: Douglas Schulze, City Manager; Kirk Wines, City Attorney;
Jeff Chen, Chief of Police; Joseph Gellings, Director of Development Services;
Rachel Baker, Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, MEETING AGENDA APPROVED, 7:19 P.M.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor (7:20 p.m.)

Odermat announced the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) formal legislative agenda would be available December 17, 2004.

Council

None

Staff

None

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION RUDOLPH, SECOND BLAZEY TO PASS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- NOVEMBER 8, 2004 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
- NOVEMBER 22, 2004 CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES
- NOVEMBER 2004 CHECKS/FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT
- SR-520 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND HOV PROJECT POSITION STATEMENT

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 7:21 P.M.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

REPORTS

Police Department (7:22 p.m.)

Blazey questioned departmental overtime expenses. Chen explained incurred costs are due to performance of additional work by current staff to compensate for vacant officer position, investigative work, search warrants, and court time. Chen indicated a recruitment process is on-going for vacant officer position and the department is searching for the highest caliber individual to meet the City's standards.

Chen invited Council to view the Police Department's website, designed to educate and protect the community against rising Internet intrusions and technology threats. Chen indicated the department has networked with the Seattle Police Department and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and is in the process of introducing a leading edge program to eastside communities.

Rudolph inquired on the status of crimes, which have occurred at the Metro Park and Ride. Chen reported the Medina Police Department has coordinated efforts with Metro Transit and the Washington State Department of Transportation to reposition cameras near the Park and Ride. Chen conveyed the department has considered purchasing an observation camera for installation near the Park and Ride.

Development Services (7:31 p.m.)

No discussion

Public Works Department (7:32 p.m.)

Adam inquired about park maintenance and improvements to 84th Street Dock and Viewpoint Park. Schulze indicated he would obtain status report from Public Works staff.

Park Board (7:35 p.m.)

Park Board member, Connie Gerlitz, commented the Park Board is a hardworking group and ready to move ahead in 2005. Gerlitz suggested applicants attend a Park Board meeting prior to appointment to the board.

Emergency Preparedness Committee (7:41 p.m.)

Chen indicated the emergency command vehicle is expected to arrive no later than June 2005.

City Manager (7:42 p.m.)

No discussion.

PUBLIC HEARING

2005 Budget (7:42 p.m.)

Schulze summarized budget proposal and provided revenue and expense detail for specific funds. Discussion followed.

Public Comment

Arthur Dietrich, 707 Overlake Drive East, Medina (8:26 p.m.)

Dietrich supported not raising property taxes in Medina and stated the Public Works Director position should remain vacant to counter City expenses.

Mayor closed public hearing, 8:27 p.m.

Discussion

Blazey suggested a rollback of property taxes. Discussion followed.

Adam commented the 2005 budget is excessive and suggested measures to increase efficiency and productivity in an effort to reduce expenses. Discussion followed.

Odermat proposed Council consider a five-member citizen budget review committee, which would work and coordinate with City Council.

OTHER BUSINESS

2005 Budget (9:01 p.m.)

MOTION PHELPS, SECOND RUDOLPH TO ADOPT 2005 BUDGET AS PROPOSED, MOTION PASSED 5 TO 2, ADAM AND BLAZEY OPPOSED, 9:02 P.M.

Mayor declared a five-minute recess, 9:02 p.m., meeting reconvened, 9:10 p.m.

2005 Park Board Work Plan (9:11 p.m.)

MOTION PHELPS, SECOND RUDOLPH TO ACCEPT 2005 PARK BOARD WORK PLAN, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 9:15 P.M.

Comprehensive Plan and Critical Areas Ordinance Update (9:15 p.m.)

Gellings summarized Comprehensive Plan (CP) and Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) issues, which were identified and discussed by the Planning Commission.

Gellings conveyed the Department of Community Trade and Economic Development (CTAD) reviewed drafts of both documents and indicated approval for general direction of Medina's CP and CAO.

Gellings expressed he would not support delaying adoption of CP and CAO, but would rather incorporate final determinations of Water Resource Inventory Area 8 (WRIA 8) and the examination of Shoreline regulations into the State-allowed annual update.

Discussion followed.

Mark Lostrom, Planning Commission Chairman (9:43 p.m.)

Lostrom recommended proceeding without incorporation of final WRIA 8 and shoreline recommendations, and to consider incorporating results into an annual update when final documents become available.

Lostrom anticipated completion of CP and CAO document review by January 4, 2005 Planning Commission meeting and recommended a public hearing for final documents during a special second January session. Lostrom confirmed final documents would be ready for approval during February 14, 2005 City Council meeting.

Mark Nelson, Planning Commission Vice Chair (9:46 p.m.)

Nelson raised concerns regarding effective noticing measures and general community awareness and suggested displaying signboards to increase awareness in Medina. Nelson claimed commissioners require additional time to review new information, which was presented at the last public hearing during December Planning Commission meeting.

Schulze recommended Planning Commissioners submit questions in advance of January meeting to Gellings for consolidation in an effort to obtain greater efficiency during January meeting.

Wines suggested forwarding comments/questions in written format to Gellings. Answers could be distributed to Planning Commission and City Council members.

Odermat delegated noticing efforts to Schulze, Gellings and Lostrom.

MOTION RUDOLPH, SECOND VALL-SPINOSA TO:

- GRANT PLANNING COMMISSION TWO ADDITIONAL MEETINGS TO COMPLETE REVIEW AND HOLD ONE FINAL PUBLIC HEARING (*REGULARLY SCHEDULED JANUARY 4, 2005 MEETING AND *SPECIAL JANUARY 2005 SESSION*)
- DELAY INCLUSION OF WR1A8 RECOMMENDATIONS AND SHORELINE REGULATIONS EXAMINATION; CONSIDER FINAL DOCUMENT RECOMMENDATIONS DURING ANNUAL REVISION
- REQUIRE PLANNING COMMISSION PRESENT FINAL DOCUMENTS TO CITY COUNCIL FOR ACTION, FEBRUARY 14, 2005
- REQUIRE PLANNING COMMISSIONERS SUBMIT ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS IN ADVANCE OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS TO GELLINGS

** Date to be determined by Planning Commission*

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 10:06 P.M.

MOTION NUNN, SECOND BLAZEY TO ADOPT RESOLUTION TO DELAY APPROVAL OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND CRITICAL AREAS ORDINANCE WITH ONE CHANGE:

- CHANGE "CITY COUNCIL'S NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING" TO "CITY COUNCIL'S FEBRUARY 14, 2005 MEETING"

MOTION PASS UNANIMOUSLY, 10:11 P.M.

2005 Compensation Plan (10:11 p.m.)

MOTION ADAM, SECOND RUDOLPH TO APPROVE 2005 COMPENSATION PLAN, ATTACHMENT B, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 10:14 P.M.

Intersection Sight Distance Standards (10:15 p.m.)

MOTION ADAM, SECOND BLAZEY TO APPROVE INTERSECTION SIGHT DISTANCE STANDARDS RESOLUTION, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 10:15 P.M.

Yakima County Jail Interlocal Agreement, 2nd Amendment (10:16 p.m.)

MOTION ADAM, SECOND VALL-SPINOSA TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATION BY CITY STAFF TO ACCEPT YAKIMA COUNTY JAIL INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT SECOND AMENDMENT, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 10:16 P.M.

Council Agenda Calendar (10:21 p.m.)

Discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

City Manager's Employment Agreement (10:36 p.m.)

MOTION ADAM, SECOND NUNN TO APPROVE EXTENDING CITY MANAGER'S CONTRACT, DATED NOVEMBER 9, 1998, FOR THE YEAR 2005; AND CITY MANAGER MONTHLY SALARY, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2005, WILL BE \$7,308.00, CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 10:39 P.M.

Park Board Member Appointment (10:40 p.m.)

PARK BOARD APPLICANT APPOINTED PER COUNCIL CONSENSUS, 10:43 P.M.

Planning Commission Member Appointment (10:44 p.m.)

FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICANT APPOINTED PER COUNCIL MAJORITY, 10:53 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION NUNN, SECOND BLAZEY TO ADJOURN DECEMBER 13, 2004 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, 10:53 P.M.

December 13, 2004 City Council meeting adjourned at 10:53 p.m.

Next City Council meeting scheduled, Monday, January 10, 2005, 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Mary Odermat

Attest:

Rachel Baker, Administrative Assistant